GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:238
ANSWERED ON:10.05.2016
Uniform Pharma Code
Fatepara Shri Devajibhai Govindbhai

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

The year-wise list of these overcharging cases (updated upto 31.03.2016) has been uploaded on the website of NPPA i.e. www.nppaindia.nic.in.

(C): No, Madam.

(d): Domestic Pharmaceutical Companies have been showing continuous growth in their business over the last few years and their performances is not sub-optimal.

(e): The Government has already set up the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) as a Regulatory Authority in 1997 which has the powers to check overpricing and such unethical practices.
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Answer

MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
(SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. 238 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10th May, 2016 regarding Uniform Pharma Code

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The complaints received were against both Multinational and Domestic Pharmaceutical companies covering various states/ Union Territories.

(c): The Government had announced Uniform Code for Pharmaceutical Practices (UCPMP) which was to be adopted voluntarily w.e.f. 1st January, 2015 for a period of six months and has last been extended upto 30.06.2016. After reviewing the same it was found that the voluntary code was not working as expected.

(d) & (e): The Government consulted the stakeholders including NGO's / Civil Society members and after examining their suggestions it is now looking into the viability of making the Code Statutory.

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